## Nanomaterials-Based Electrodes for Energy Storage Devices with Fast Rate Capabilities

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#### **NEI Markets**

- -Nano enables the application of-
- Polymer Nanocomposites: coatings and bulk
  - Nanoparticles for Drug Delivery
    - Nanoparticle laden fluids
      - Specialty Nanopowders
      - Rechargeable Batteries



### **High Rate Energy Storage Devices**

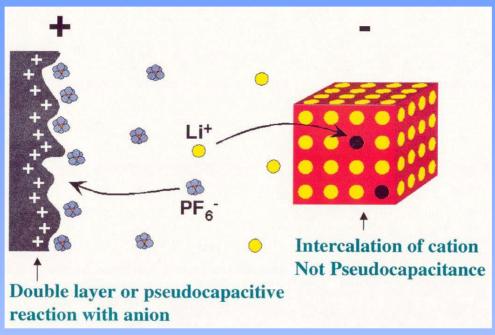


### **Goals of the Program**

- Develop nanostructured anodes for a new type of high rate energy storage device called Asymmetric Hybrid Cell
- Fabricate prototype Asymmetric Hybrid Cell with following features-
  - Capable of working efficiently over a wide temperature range (-30°C to 70°C)
  - Long cycle life (> 100,000 cycles)
  - Power density as good as that of a supercapacitor
  - Energy density comparable to, or higher than, that of Pb-acid batteries
  - Fast rate of charge (complete charge in 1 min.)



# Concept of High Rate Asymmetric Hybrid Cell



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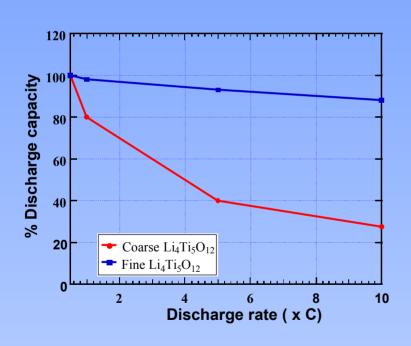
A thin, flexible, highly manufacturable and non-aqueous plastic laminar device

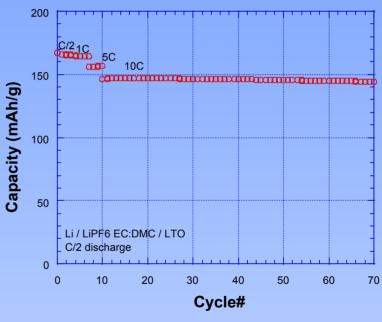
Reference: Amatucci et al., Journal of The Electrochemical Society, 148 (8), A930 (2001)



# **Ultrafine Electrodes Exhibit Faster Rate Capabilities**

- Li<sub>4</sub>Ti<sub>5</sub>O<sub>12</sub> Electrodes -

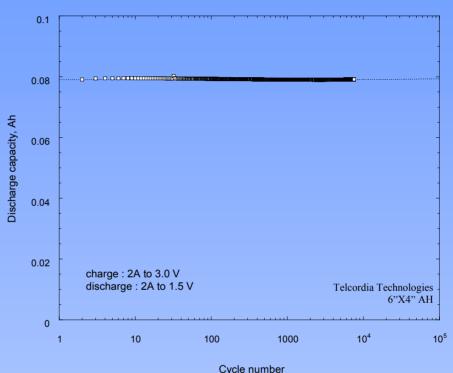






#### **Long Cycle Life of Prototype Hybrid Cells**





Cathode: High surface area activated carbon (700 – 2000 m<sup>2</sup>/g)

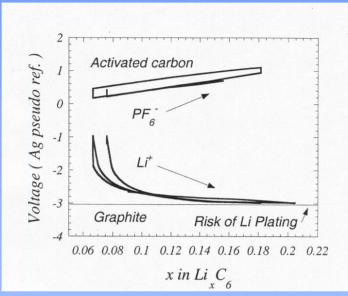
Anode: Ultrafine Li<sub>4</sub>Ti<sub>5</sub>O<sub>12</sub>; Electrolyte: 1M LiPF<sub>6</sub> in 2:1 volume ratio of

ethylene carbonate: dimethyl carbonate

Dimensions: 6" X 4" (Courtesy Telcordia Technologies)



# Rationale for Lithium Intercalating Anode Materials



Intercalation voltage

Carbon: ~ -3V SHE

Li<sub>4</sub>Ti<sub>5</sub>O<sub>12</sub>: -1.5V SHE

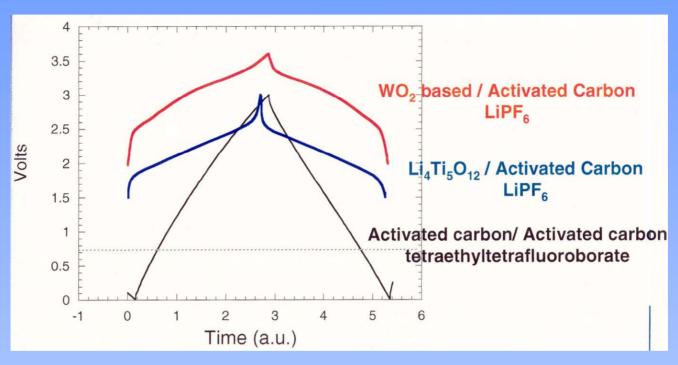
WO<sub>2</sub>: - 2.3V SHE

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Carbonaceous materials are unsafe to operate in high rate applications, because of the risk of Li plating



### WO<sub>2</sub> has the Highest Output Voltage

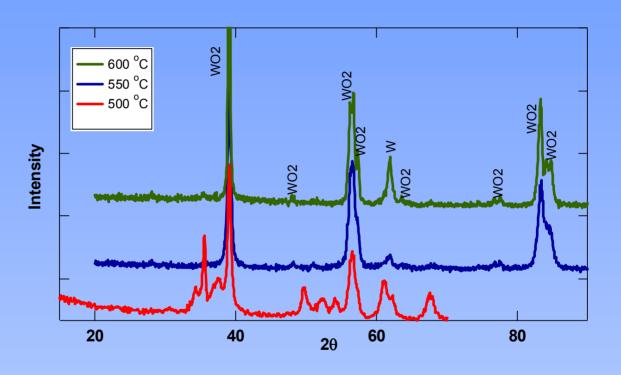


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Use of WO<sub>2</sub> anodes will enhance the energy density of asymmetric hybrid cell

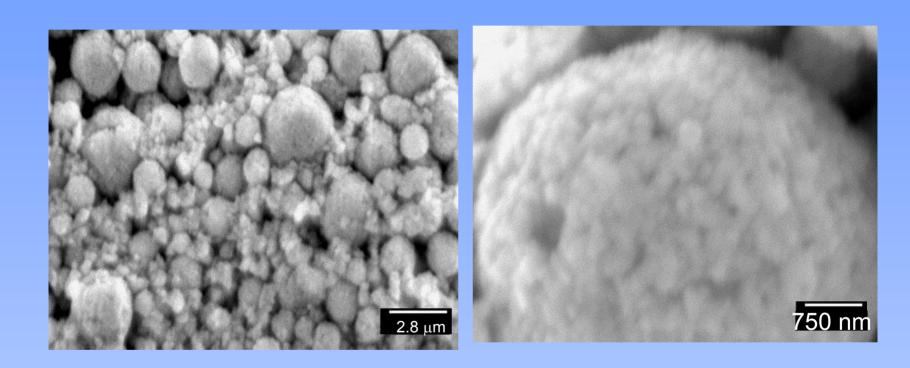


### **Low Temperature Synthesis**





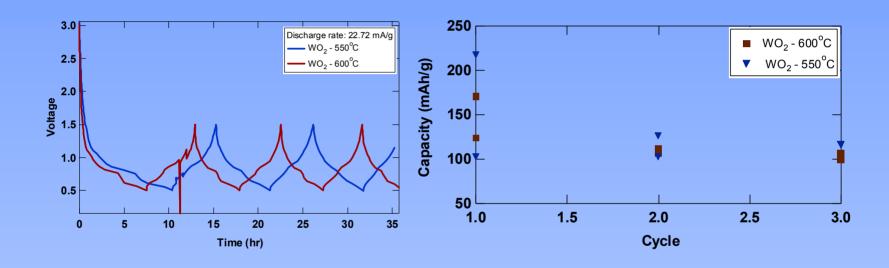
#### **Spherical Particles with Ultrafine Crystallites**



Spherical particles will result in high packing density of electrodes Surface area = 15 m<sup>2</sup>/g

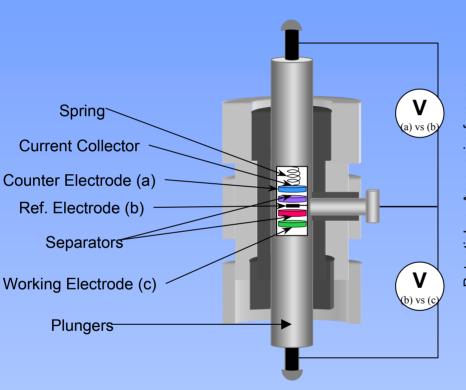


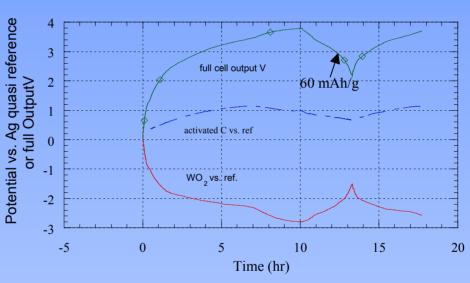
## Ultrafine WO<sub>2</sub> Powders Are Electrochemically Active





## Electrochemical Data in An Asymmetric Hybrid Cell







### **Program Overview**

